

Subject: Re: Right of reply to CXpress' DA bias
From: Michael Hampton <words@themikehampton.com>
Date: 2019/04/23, 10:16 AM
To: Esther de Villiers <esther@cypress.co.za>

I attached pics in my previous emails.

I wish we lived in a happy world too but I'm realistic i.e. that will never happen, there will always be bad, but let's fight so there's a bit less of it. Unfettered corruption becomes dictatorship. If we don't aim for community, we aim for nothing. No one should take life for granted. Life must be defended, even if some of us are lost in the fight.

On 2019/04/23 10:07 AM, Esther de Villiers wrote:

Cool, which pic/s did you have in mind? Listen Mike, as you might have noticed I'm a bit of a space cadet, and you would surely have checked, too, that CXPRESS isn't exactly the Mail&G. If I had my way we'd be doing only happy good news stories, grappies n pret. But my beloved (business) partner of the past 21 years is much more the journalist, which is the only reason we have 'news' pages at all, haha. I'd prefer doing your bit properly in next week's CX rather than the rush job it's sure to be now. I'll be in touch, later, Esther

From: Michael Hampton [<mailto:words@themikehampton.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:00 AM
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Then I'll wait until next week because I want equal space response, and people respond to images better.

405 words.

I gave you the links so that you are covered.

On 2019/04/23 9:56 AM, Esther de Villiers wrote:

O doh, didn't realise the below was your 'response!' My bad. We've got one news page not yet set so lemme see what I can do – can't include pic at this late stage and the piece is over 400 words without the list of links at the bottom which, as I'm sure you understand, serves no purpose in the print edition (can't click on links, etc.)...

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I'm following up. Please send me the pdf as proof of publication.

On 2019/04/17 3:33 PM, Michael Hampton wrote:

Seton? Kirsten? Again, I request you tell me who the author was so that I don't have to go through the ombudsman and write a zillion articles about you. Let's get to the end quickly and honestly.

Please provide my response the same prominence as the anti-me article - page location, images (attached, me & Zille, or me and book cover - I'm banned from publishing it, you are not banned from talking about it, and I've only mentioned it as banned, not about selling or downloads).

Send me a pdf of the page.

Title: Anti-corruption activist Mike Hampton: Why is blatant DA corruption getting a Media-free ride?

I'm targeted. The latest court order against me is continuation of 9 years of arrows shot at me. My real crime has been the exposure of corruption. I have clearly been more successful at that than any other in the district. Yet the response by Media has been to only report the side that opposes me, and continuously deride me as only a 'blogger'. This is my response to CXPress' anonymously authored article - 'Knysna blogger's arrest ordered by high-court judge'

Knysna has been sliced by selfish politics. That's not opinion, but well-known situation. DA factions shift across party lines, either to hang onto power or try grab it. Last in line has been the citizens they're supposed to serve.

Not even the assassination of Victor Molosi could provide a wake-up call. Instead, there are Capetonian plans to seize control of the town, away from rebel Mayor Mark Willemse whose been miscast by a few as the town's saviour. Desperation cannot wipe clean the fact that he never acted on any of the corruption I reported to him.

I've been proven, for example, correct about:

- The illegal funding of Knysna Tourism, a private company, granted taxpayer funds, without tender, whilst politicians sat on its Board (the Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr investigation proves I was right). That illegality has been replicated by the DA across the Western Cape, hundreds of

millions with the permission of Premier Candidate Alan Winde.

- The illegal awarding of the ISDF tender to property developers who never won the bid. Approved by MEC Anton Bredell despite him being in possession of a damning Treasury investigation. He then committed perjury, three times on video in Parliament, so as to try protect himself.

The response, a flood of court cases, threats against me and my subscribers, a fake psychiatric diagnosis of me as a sociopath, and a slithering propaganda campaign falsely labelling me as a paedophile.

Helen Zille's reaction to my complaints was to threaten to sue me too, illegally using Public funds like ex-Mayor Eleanore Spies did (found guilty but promoted instead). And Advocate Julie Seton, who I've a protection order against, appears in this newspaper to complain about me.

Judge Mantane ordered the Sheriff to arrest me although it would be illegal for a Sheriff to do so. The Judge banned my book, 'Same Shit, Different Government', despite not being in possession of it.

Where am I? I'm rightfully scared.

I purposely left out Esme Edge's name.

Attached or linked:

- Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr legal opinion - <https://themikehampton.com/da-rot-proof-1-mec-alan-winde-illegal-funding-companies/>
- Treasury investigation pdf embedded, Bredell perjury and ignoring threat against me - <https://themikehampton.com/da-rot-proof-2-property-developer-favouritism-isdf/>
- Court order re Sheriff nonsense (attached)
- Parliament making statement against the intimidation/my request for protection against propaganda (attached)
- Protection order against Seton (attached)
- Fake psychiatric diagnosis by DA Councillor Young/paedo - <https://themikehampton.com/corruption-library-same-shit-different-government/>
- Zille's threats to sue me - <https://themikehampton.com/my-response-to-helen-zilles-threats-to-sue-me/>
- Affi to hawks - <https://themikehampton.com/hawks-part-1-affidavits-against-democratic-alliance-corruption/>

And let's not forget that you already have my book.

Esther, nothing (except you) is stopping you from being a moral

journalist. Start printing about what's truly happening. Care about the people of your area.

On 2019/04/12 12:43 PM, Esther de Villiers wrote:

Hey Mike, you're very welcome to send a letter to the editor in response to the April 3 story which, I have to note, was not written by Yolandé Stander, although as you know she is a stringer for both CXPRESS and KPH. And that's about where similarities twixt the two papers end, apart from fact that we're all being printed by Group Editors.

If 400 words or less and in this inbox by 4pm today, your letter of response will be considered for publication at the first next opportunity, i.e. CXPRESS of April 17. If arriving next week only, we'll endeavour to include in the month's last edition on April 24. All the best, Esther de Villiers

From: Michael Hampton [<mailto:words@themikehampton.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2019 11:22 AM
To: CXpress - Esther de Villiers <esther@cxpress.co.za>;
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On April 3 you made me a feature in your newspaper, CXpress:

'Knysna's Blogger's arrest ordered by high court judge - but where in the world is Mike Hampton?'

For a long period, your publication, along with the Knysna-Plett Herald, was involved in propaganda for the DA. You eventually stopped in ignoble style, choosing silence rather than truth. Omission was lie too.

You now publish against me without bothering to contact me. With subterfuge, you omitted the name of the reporter though it wouldn't surprise me if yours and the DA's friend, Yolande Stander, was involved again.

Keep in mind that this story is far from over and that there remains the possibility that you will all be held to account eventually. The Parliament process has yet to conclude, an opposition Minister will be raising my issues after the election, the Presidency has allocated my separate complaint to Minister COGTA Zweli Mkhize, I've a 68-page report against corruption in the Office of the Public Protector and there's an open Hawks case. You also seem to forget that people standing against corruption in Knysna get assassinated.

To omit all that made you propaganda alone. Furthermore, you ignored all my emails to you.

Will you provide me right of reply? Things such as my protection order against Advovate Julie Seton need mentioning, plus the threats against your fellow citizens. Not only is it standard procedure but a newspaper avoiding what will undoubtedly be popular news would emphasise your assistance of corruption.

Your 'article' was almost copy of the Knysna-Plett Herald's which suggests collusion. I will send them similar statement/request.

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